Hearst Fights Trusts

Democrats Should Give Guarantee of Sincerity by Nominating the Champion of the People's Rights, Who Is a Platform In Himself, Says Former Governor of California.

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William Randolph Hearst should be nominated for president of the United States by the Democratic national convention because he is the only candidate who typifies opposition to Criminal Trusts and on whom the toiling masses will unite.

William Randolph Hearst is the ONLY ONE of the many good Democrats mentioned for the nomination whose life work stands for opposition to and a continuous fight against corporate exactions and trust extortions, and who has unceasingly striven for tariff reform and to better the condition of the toiling masses. Others may have fought nobly in some of these matters, but none can' equal him in devotion to them all, and the question "Who is the greatest champion of the people's rights against trust oppression?" finds but one answer-Hearst.

And if we are sincere as Democrats, and platforms are not molasses with which to catch flies, we should give a guarantee of that sincerity by nominating the man whose name on these issues is a tower of strength. The people believe in him, and they know he would enforce the laws; they could but hope this of others. Mankind judges by the Biblical rule, "By their works ye shall know them," and of this man's works there can be no question. Whatever may be the fundamental causes of criminal trusts, they have come into existence under Republican administrations, and they look to that party for assistance and support in return for open coffers during hotly contested elections. The sister iniquity, the present unequal and discriminating tariff, is in itself a direct creation of the Republican party and has been so scaled by repeated legislation as to fatten favored industries. No better evidence could be had of the close relations between the criminal trusts and the Republican party of today than that disclosed by the latter's repeal of the punishment of imprisonment for violation of the antitrust laws. When Hearst commenced his fight against the trusts, in court and before officials, violations of these laws were punishable by imprisonment. He insisted that there should be no distinction between big thieves and little thieves, but that all should be treated alike. And he could not be bought or bullied or turned aside. The trust operators saw ahead the prison door ajar and Hearst as an avenger of the outraged law behind. Pursued by Hearst, the trusts fled to a Republican congress as to a "city of refuge," and they found a haven, for that congress passed, and the president of these United States signed, a practical pardon for the past crimes and an immunity for the future offenders by repealing all provisions of law which imposed imprisonment as punishment for the criminal violation of certain antitrust legislation. This was in effect licensing violations of law and fixing the license fee at such sum as might be imposed from time to time for conviction. It is absurd to urge that the men criminally guilty of robbing the people would be deterred from so doing by a comparatively small fine. Protected from arrest by such repeal, the coal operators when brought before the interstate commerce commission on the petition of Hearst refused to comply with the orders of that body, and the cause now drags in the courts, while Hearst is endeavoring to have the effective penalty restored by congress. During the proceedings before this commission one of the trust operators, Baer of Pennsylvania, chief of them all, was forced to admit when pressed by Mr. Shearn, Hearst's attorney, that during a recent presidential election the trusts which he represented had been urged by the managers of the Republican party to juggle their affairs

that it commenced many years since and without a break has continued. One may scan the files of the San Francisco Examiner from the day he assumed control and there cannot be found a single lapse from devotion to and advocacy of the cause of the plain people.

If the Democracy stands for the rights of the people and is sincere in opposing criminal trusts, as it is, there could be no better way of convincing For Plain People the people of the fact than by nominating Hearst.

William Randolph Hearst is a platform in himself for the rights of the plain people against trusts' exactions. When the iniquities of the tariff are considered it will be generally conceded that than he no one has done more to educate the people as to the necessity for a revision. For tariff reform he has always stood for Democratic principles, and no one has worked harder for party success. Not only have his journals since their establishment thundered throughout every national campaign, but he has been one of the most liberal contributors to the cause and personally organized throughout the Union and conducted an association of congressional clubs for the purpose of electing a Democratic congress.

Labor can expect nothing from the party in power. Still, those of the toilers now of the Republican rank and file must be given strong reasons for making a change.

Having taken a small part in the canvass of Mr. Hearst for congress, I was made to know how labor regarded him. I do not alone judge from the many hundreds of indorsements he received from labor organizations all over the Union, but also from the voluntary aid of great labor leaders desiring to show their devotion by increasing his majority. I need not cite the Hon. Eugene Schmitz, twice elected labor mayor of San Francisco, who crossed the continent and made a strong and brilliant fight for Mr. Hearst. He is a Republican, but a labor champion first, and he wished thus to testify to the great work of Mr. Hearst in the cause of labor. And there are many like him.

Were Hearst named for president labor leaders would flock to him again and thus assure his election as easily | Hearst Bill to Prevent Railroad Disas they did that immense majority of



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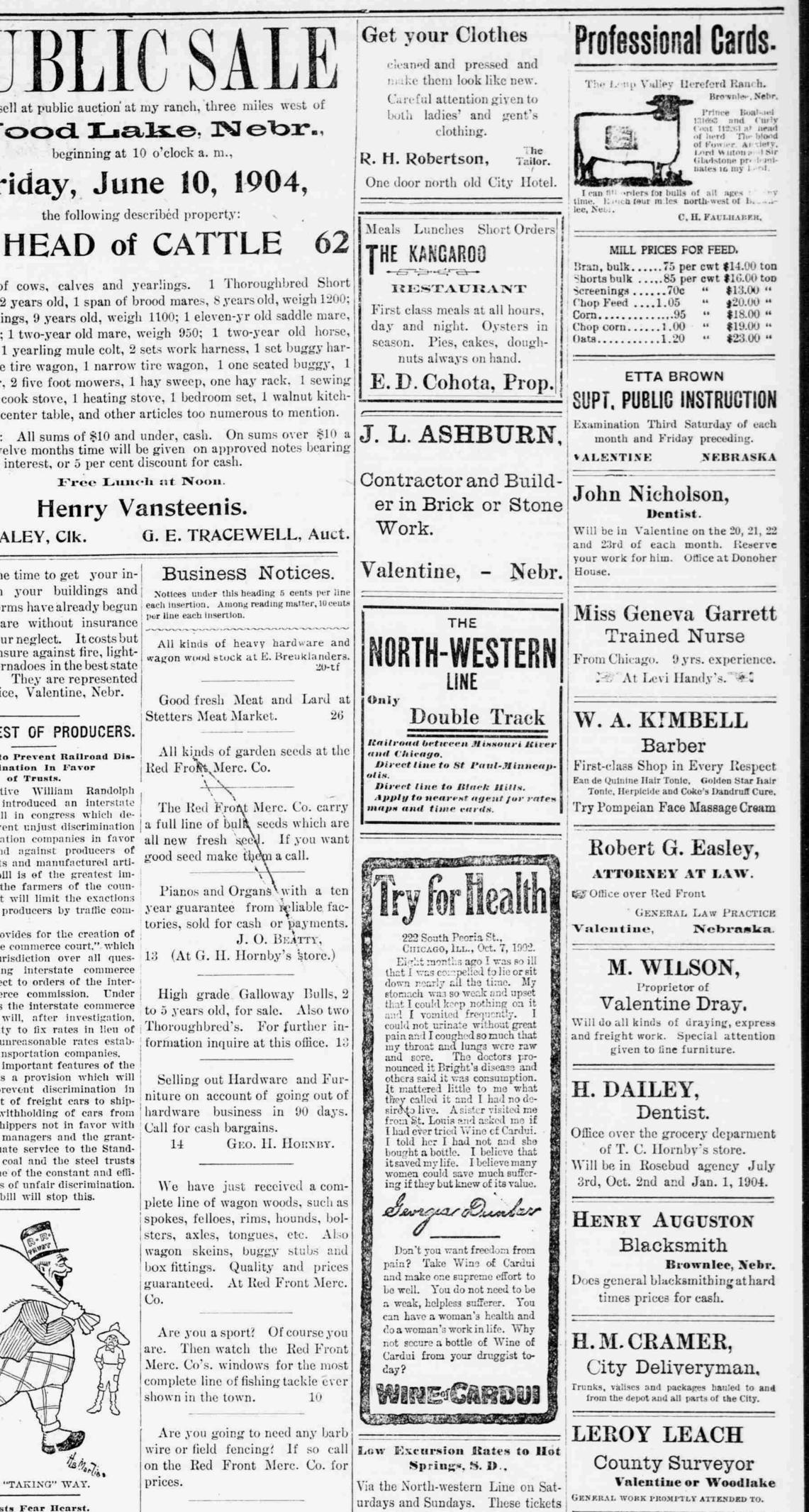
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Who else can so unite these toilers? Yet Hearst is not an enemy to capital nor to corporations. He believes in both. He has never attacked either as such. Only their abuses have called for their condemnation. His position on this subject was well stated in his acceptance of the nomination for congress in a workingman's district. It is sound and strong.

He believes in every legitimate enlargement and improvement of capital, and that labor and capital have common interests so commingled and interwoven that one cannot be injured without the other suffering. It is the unjust distribution of the products of the joint operation of capital and labor, and the efforts of criminal combinations to absorb of such products all but a scant living for the toiler, against which he protests.

Hearst is one of the financiers who would suffer from financial depression in this country. His businesses are large and ramifying and of the kind that must be affected by financial disturbance. He is in every sense of the word one of our greatest captains of industry.

What do we greatly need in any president at this particular time in our country's history? A strong, positive business man with extraordinary executive ability.

The daily disturbances in the departments of government show that underneath there is a seething mass of incapacity or corruption and that the methods long in vogue are crude, imperfect and costly. Abuses incident to a long continuance in power of one party render the introduction of a thorough business system necessary. The management of the affairs of the government requires much more than an able jurist or a resourceful politician; it requires a chief executive in fact as well as in name. Not an enemy of Hearst-and he could not redress wrongs and pursue evil doers without having them-but will admit that in his business career he has a keen insight, a calm judgment and an executive ability seldom equaled.

Hearst has handled and created millions and, to his credit be it said, without a blunder.

Is he not a safe man? Who is safer of all the aspirants?

Mr. Hearst is not a lawyer, nor is he an orator, but he is a thinker and a doer, a gatherer of facts and a judge of them.

He believes in equality before the law. He also believes that social of Trusts.

Representative William Randolph

Hearst has introduced an interstate commerce bill in congress which designs to prevent unjust discrimination by transportation companies in favor of trusts and against producers of farm products and manufactured articles. This bill is of the greatest importance to the farmers of the country in that it will limit the exactions placed upon producers by traffic combinations.

The bill provides for the creation of an "interstate commerce court," which will have jurisdiction over all guestions affecting interstate commerce and give effect to orders of the interstate commerce commission. Under its provisions the interstate commerce commission will, after investigation, have authority to fix rates in lieu of unjust and unreasonable rates established by transportation companies.

One of the important features of the Hearst act is a provision which will effectively prevent discrimination in the allotment of freight cars to shippers. The withholding of cars from points and shippers not in favor with the railroad managers and the granting of adequate service to the Standard Oil, the coal and the steel trusts have been one of the constant and efficient methods of unfair discrimination. The Hearst bill will stop this.



Trusts Fear Hearst.

The trusts and the so called business interests of the country are afraid of Roosevelt because they do not know from the St. Francis Mission ranch

what he may do. They are afraid of 9 miles west of Crookston, one flee Hearst because they know what he will do; hence they are moving heaven equality depends on factors beyond and earth to induce the Democrats to ed SF on left shoulder, carries his the reach of legislation and official rec- nominate some man on whose favor head high. Liberal reward for inognition and that herein the utmost they may surely rely. This is the situ-

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so as to assist in electing a Republican president, and they had done so. On this answer wonder at the repeal of punishment for their acts ceased. The Republican party owed the trusts this pardon and paid its debt, and Hearst was temporarily checked. The unrelenting fight by Mr. Hearst against the coal and meat and other trusts and the vigor he has infused therein, cou-	tion must be guaranteed the individ- ual; that an endeavor to force such equality upon a people is contrary to our laws and is an outrage on decency. His rebuke to the president, one of the first protests made, is replete with strong reasoning. Yet no colored man would ever appeal to Hearst and be denied a full hearing and fair treat-	"Hearst Against the Field." William Randolph Hearst's candida- cy for president has advanced so far that it's now a question between "Hearst and the field." What a shak- ing up Hearst has given a lot of old dry hones who jeered at the very sug-	19 Crookston, Nebr. Excursion Rates to Colorado, Utah and the Black Hills, Via the North-western Line. Be-	for calves, and guarantee satisfac- tion. We dip every Thursday, Fri-	
pled with the fact that congress could be moved, but he could not, is one of the strongest indorsements of the man. It is a matter of history. A hundredth part of the energy dis- played by him would have enabled a president to crush every criminal trust in the land. The persistence of Mr. Hearst in the interest of the plain people and his many efforts in their behalf are too well known to require a recital in de- tail. And his devotion is not of re- cent or of political growth, but is of very long standing—so long, in fact,	ment. In fact, if elected president, Mr. Hearst would enforce the laws, re- move or cause to be removed the out- rageous burdens of the trusts and tar- iff and give to the country one of the best and strongest and most success- ful business administrations it has ever had. If nominated he cannot be defeated, and we shall truly have a government of the people, by the people and for the people, by the trusts and for the	gestion of Hearst's name nine months ago!—Seattle Times. War Proverb. There is an old German proverb which says, "A war leaves three armies behind it—an army of widows, an army of cripples and an army of thieves." Sharks Menace Fish Industry. A species of shark, known as "dog- fish," has become so numerous along	will be sold to Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Salt Lake City, Hot Springs, Deadwood, Lead and Cus- ter, S. D., etc., good to return until October 31. A splendid opportun- ity is offered for an enjoyable va- cation trip. Several fine trains via the North-western Line daily. Ap- ply to agents Chicago & North-	the end of June. VIERTEL & CORNELL, 19–4 Crookston, Neb. R·I·P·A·N·S Tabples Doctors find A good prescription For mankind	TIME TABLE Great Northern Line Great Northern Line at O'neill, Nebr. Going East, Going West. Leaves 10:10 a, m. Arrives 9:50 p. m. Passenger, daily except Sunday. Ponnections with Elkhorn trains east and west-bound from all points west of O'Neill. Shortest route to Sioux City and beyond. Through connections for Sioux Falls, Minne-apolis, St, Paul and all points porth and west, Buy local ti kets to O'Neill. FRED ROGERS, G, P, A. Bioux City, Jowa